

by flow manager mechanism 202." to - Each linked list is chained off an array entry with the packet number in a flow being used as the array index. Packets entering the system are first identified as belonging to a particular flow by the flow manager mechanism 202.—

REMARKS

Entry and consideration of the above amendment is respectfully requested. An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

PILLSBURY MADISON & SUTRO LLP INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY GROUP

Dale S. Lazar

Reg. No. 28,872

Phone: (202) 861-3527

DSL:ERH/rmb 1100 New York Ave., N.W. Ninth Floor, East Tower Washington, D. C. 20005-3918

Tel. (202) 861-3000 Fax: (202) 822-0944